Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 13 Jan 2022 until 23:59 on Friday 14 Jan 2022

Forecast Issued on Thursday 13 Jan 2022 at 02:46 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for high pressure close by over the next 5 days keeping mostly settled conditions. However winds often coming in from Atlantic bring cloudy skies and patchy light rain.

Headline for Thursday 13 Jan 2022: Mostly cloudy. Patchy light rain, mainly west of area. Staying windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 13 Jan 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Drizzle	Drizzle	Light rain	Light rain	Drizzle	Drizzle
Precipitation probability					
30%	40%	40%	40%	40%	40%

Forecast for Thursday 13 Jan 2022

Weather: Staying mostly cloudy with further rain and drizzle, most persistent over hills towards the West Coast. Drier weather towards the Great Glen with some brighter interludes.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Little chance in west of area, 30% in east.

Visibility: Good beneath the cloud which will be extensive around 600 to 700m with patches lower down near the west coast. Also poor visibility in the drizzle. Clouds will be more broken at times in east of area.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	46/55 SW	44/54 SW	44/55 SW	42/52 SW	38/48 W	35/44 W	31/39 W
900	44/52 SW	41/51 SW	42/52 SW	39/50 SW	36/46 W	32/42 W	29/37 W
600	31/40 SW	29/39 SW	29/40 SW	28/39 SW	25/35 W	22/32 W	20/29 W
300	9/40 SW	11/40 SW	12/41 SW	11/40 SW	10/35 W	8/31 W	8/27 W
Glen	17/32 SW	17/32 SW	17/33 SW	16/31 SW	14/27 SW	14/27 W	9/19 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	2/-7	2/-6	2/-6	3/-5	3/-5	3/-4	3/-4
900	3/-5	3/-4	3/-4	4/-4	4/-4	4/-3	4/-3
600	5/-1	5/-1	6/-0	6/-0	6/0	6/1	6/1
300	7/4	7/4	7/4	7/4	7/4	7/5	8/5
Glen	9/6	9/6	10/6	10/6	10/7	10/6	10/8
Freezing Level*	1500m	1600m	1500m	1600m	1600m	1800m	1700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note although milder conditions at lower levels, it will still feel very cold over higher ridges and summits with strong winds and temperatures of only 3 or 4 Celsius.

Forecast for Friday 14 Jan 2022
Weather: It will continue mostly cloudy with a little rain and drizzle at times towards the West Coast and over the Caithness hills. Some brighter skies over hills near to the Great Glen.

Maximum wind: Less windy on the tops, generally west or southwesterly with average speeds of 20mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30%, best chance in east.

Visibility: Good beneath the cloud which will be extensive about 700 to 800m with patches lower down in north and west of area. Poor visibility as drizzly showers pass by.

Temperature: **Glens:** 5 Celsius rising to 9 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 4 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1500m.

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